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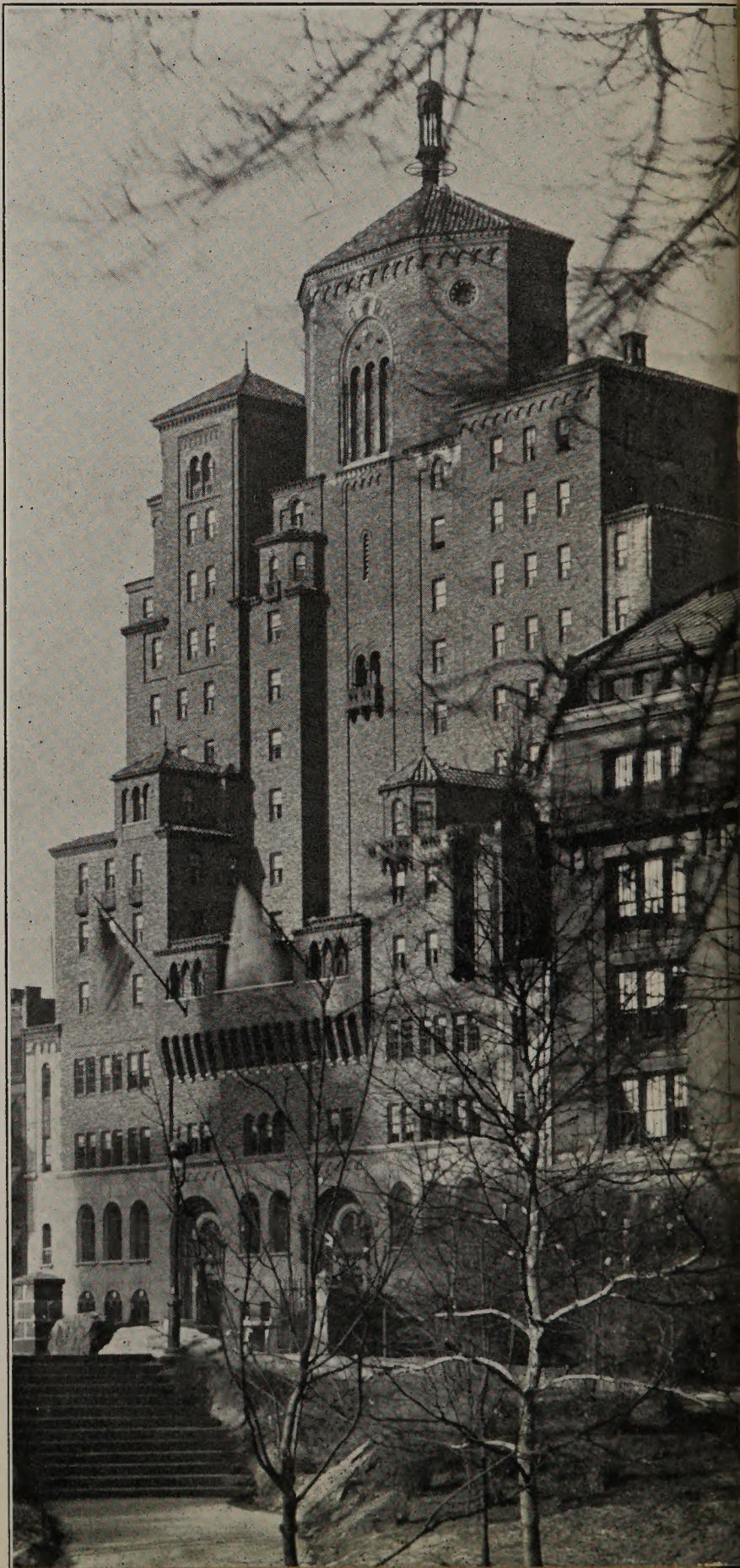














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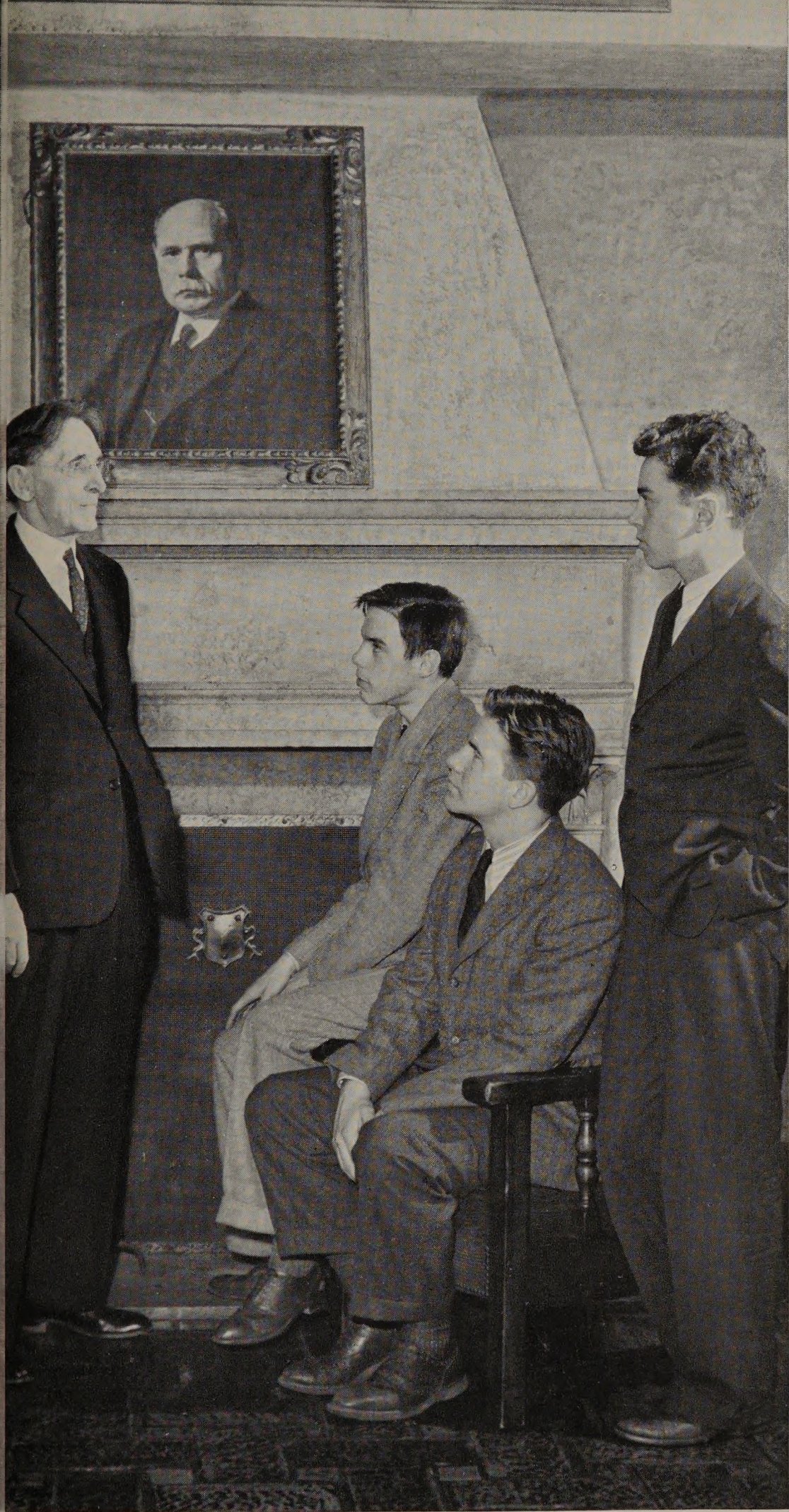
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"McBURNEY" stands for more than brick walls, modern furnishings, and fine equipment. McBurney is more than new textbooks, well-trained teachers, and successful studies. McBurney means more even than its group of interested, active students. To understand McBurney we must feel the spirit of mutual loyalty, the give and take of common school citizenship, the sharing of interests, and the day to day cooperation toward common aims, between student and student as well as between student and teacher.

In dedicating this book to ROBERT L. LITCH we dedicate it not to his many contributions to the achievements and standards of McBurney. Neither do we dedicate it to his expert guidance in extra-curricular activities, nor to his well-earned record as a great teacher. Rather we dedicate the nineteen hundred and forty edition of the LAMP AND LAUREL to his consistent exemplification of what the word "McBurney" means to students, to teachers, and to all associated with our school.

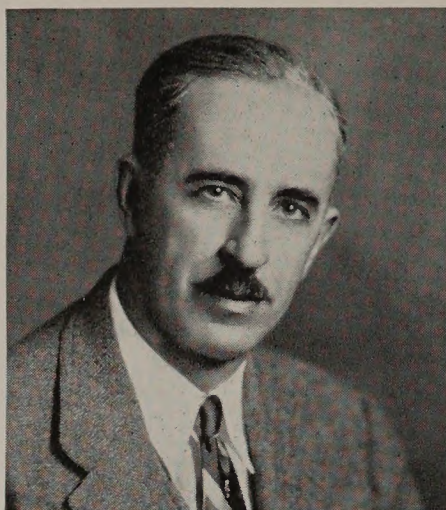
Mr. Litch, ever young, helpful, considerate, and inspiring to all who know him, has set standards and ideals of loyalty, devotion, altruism, and friendly cooperation which will always endure at McBurney. The editors hope that this book will in some small way portray the McBurney which Mr. Litch has helped to make, and will hold up this outstanding leader as an ideal for those who follow.



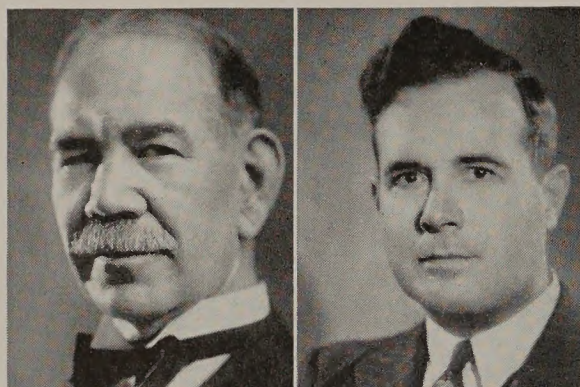




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“With position goes responsibility.” At the top of the student group are the seniors, and here lies the responsibility for constructive leadership. As Mr. Litch, with his rich background of experience and his inspiring personality, challenged his associates to strive for higher standards, may the seniors who follow us make greater strides in achieving his ideal.





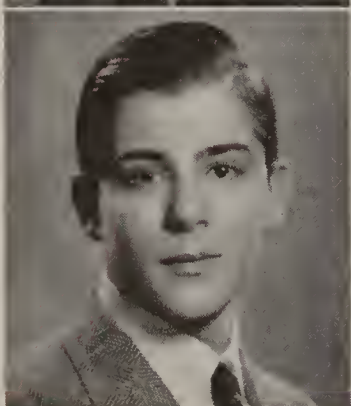
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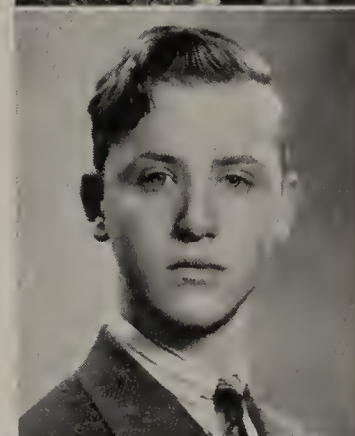
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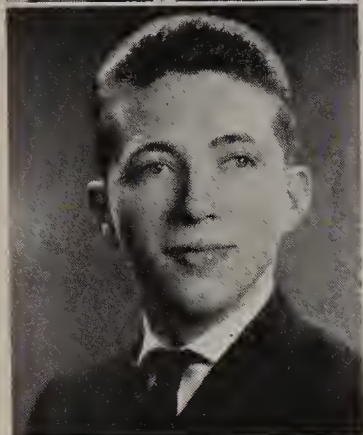




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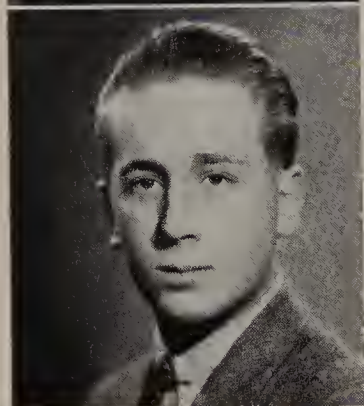
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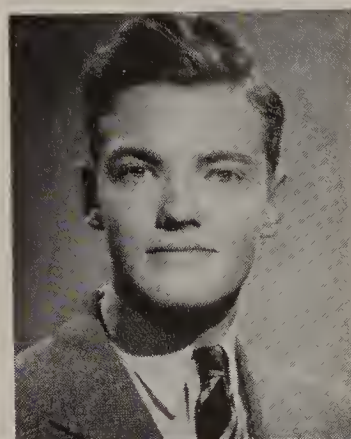
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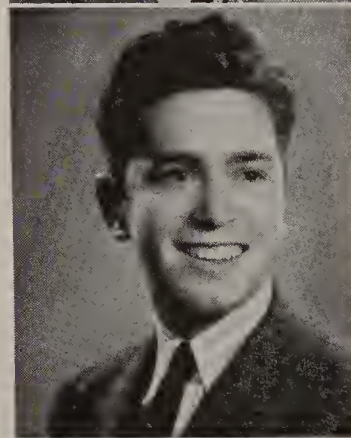
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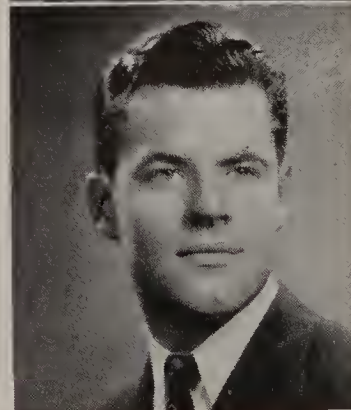
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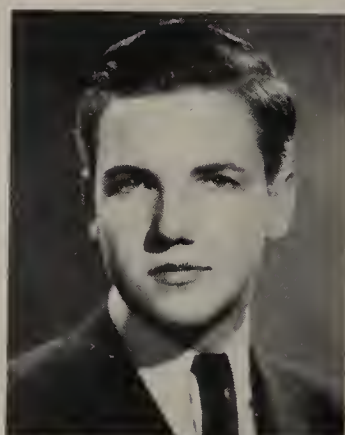
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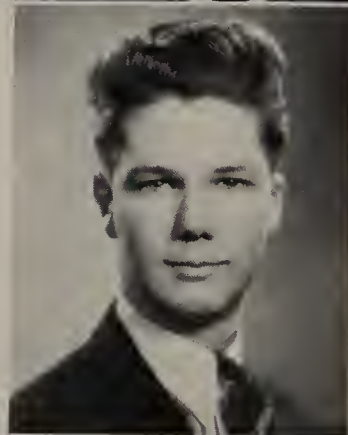
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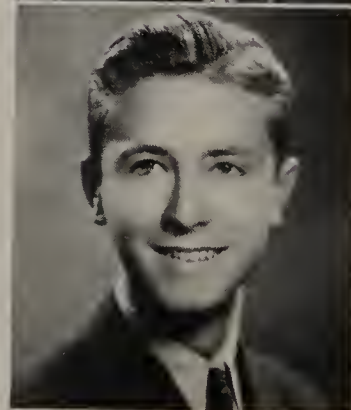
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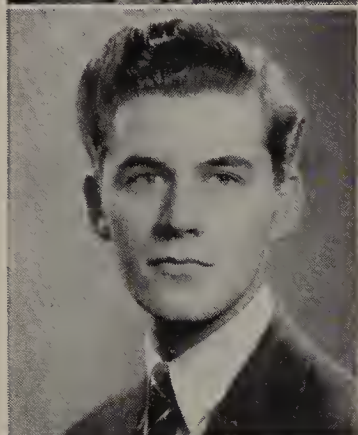




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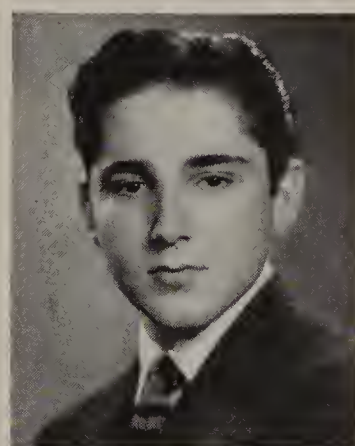
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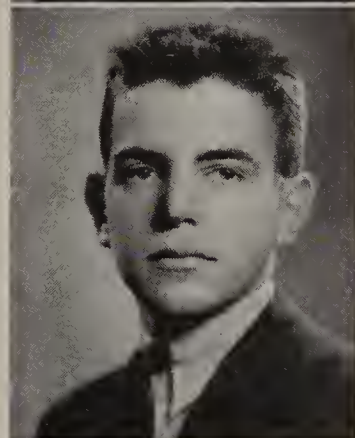
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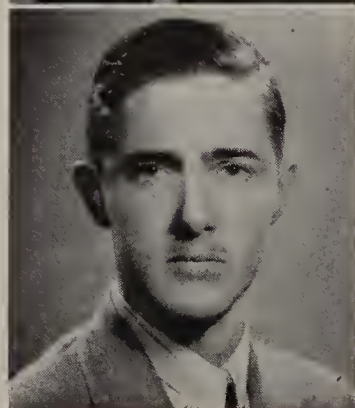
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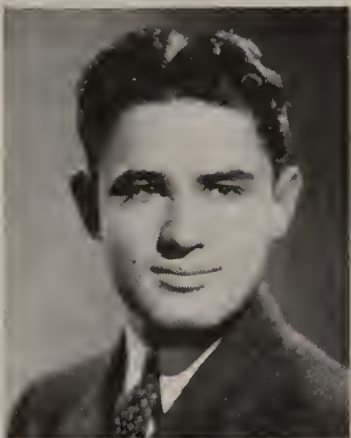
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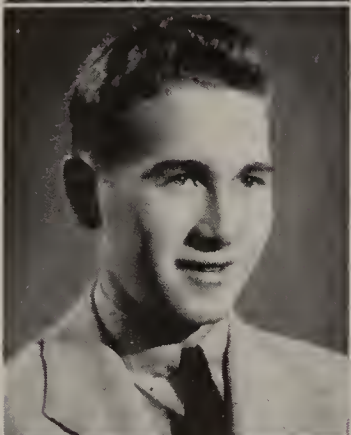




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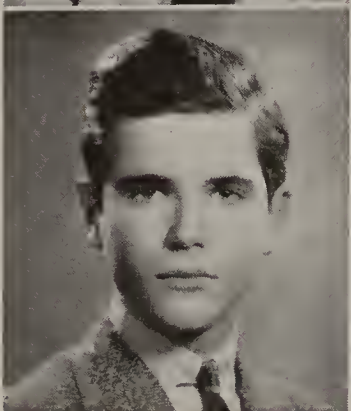
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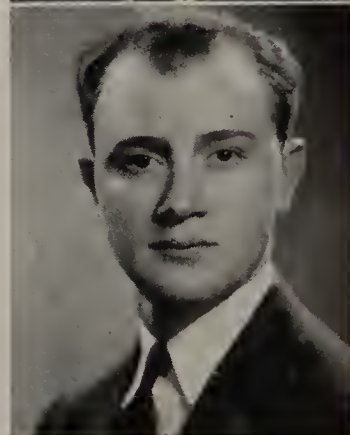
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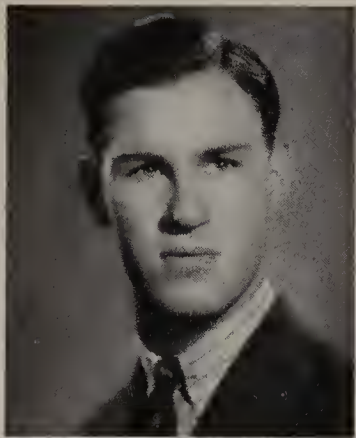
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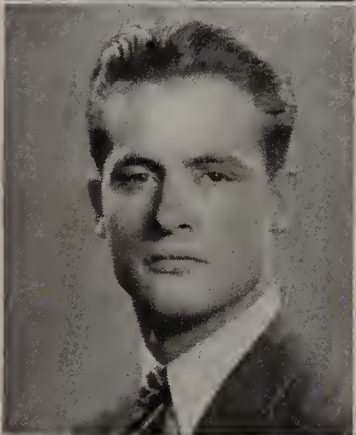






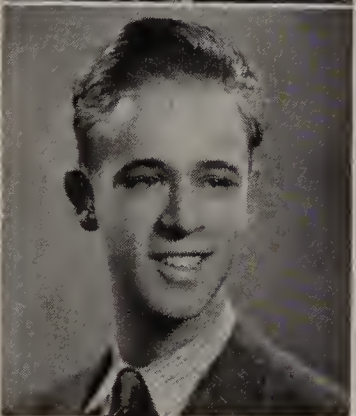
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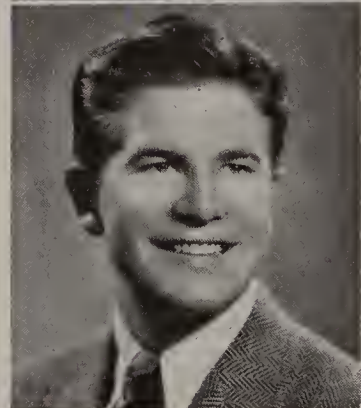
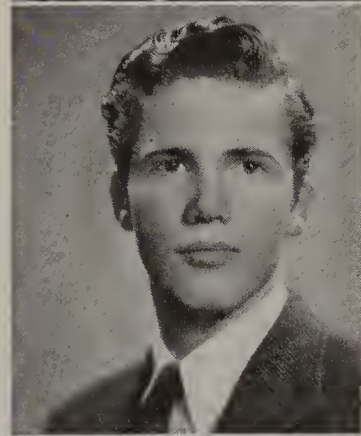
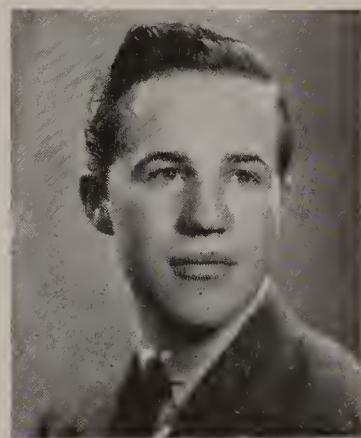
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#### JACK CONDON GARY

Interclass Activities 4. *University of Virginia*

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### Senior Superlatives

Dressiest .....	Thomas Nicolis
Lady Killer .....	Sam Cox
Handsomest .....	Clifford Giebler
Thinks He Is .....	Lawrence Kuhn
Most Conceited .....	Thomas Valley
Best Athlete .....	Frederick Fraser
No. 1 Grind .....	Harvey Goldbarth
Luckiest .....	Richard Archer
Teacher's Best Friend .....	Tom Valley
Most Popular .....	Donald Welch
Noisiest .....	Sam Cox
Most Respected .....	Joe Davis
Happiest .....	Joseph Higgins
Grouchiest .....	Aurele Vandeweghe
Most Bashful .....	Joseph Higgins
Sleepiest .....	George Schneider
Most Likely to Succeed .....	Richard Gordon
Done Most for McBurney .....	John Krom
Done McBurney for Most .....	Alfred Battaglia
Best Student .....	Richard Gordon
Faculty Pet, Oh Yeah! .....	Lawrence Kuhn
Quietest .....	Harvey Goldbarth
Outdoor Sport .....	Baseball
Indoor Sport .....	Basketball



# Senior History

## SEPTEMBER:

We discover room 402, a snappy course, and a Southern guide who wants to be "one of the boys." Also that famous pamphleteer Bassett, and a 250 page handbook. . . . Bob Vandeweghe is elected president, and installs "Gloomy Monday" as our theme song. . . . All of us resolve to work hard and make the honor roll every month. This resolution is forgotten by

## OCTOBER:

When we lick the faculty by a score which even T.E.P. couldn't keep track of. "Dangerous Dan" Bowman is rumored to have been working under sealed orders from the "nine old men." . . . The ghost of the "Dictator of the Century" is seen flitting through the sacred Green and White halls as Charlie Peter is elected prexy of the S.C. . . . A new teacher quickly earns the affectionate (?) nickname "Black Bart" when the first report card of the year proves that "C" is the highest mark he ever gives. . . .

## NOVEMBER:

We decide to take Cunningham into the section after the first *Panorama*. . . . Many of us attend "Gone With the Wind" in preparation for our Dunning reports. . . . The Dramatic Club springs into action, producing a "Tangled Web" involving a siren named Bell. . . . An English D student with insomnia spreads the report of a "long theme"; we write a 300 word essay and go back to sleep. . . .

## DECEMBER:

At the Senior-Alumni Banquet, those of us situated near the speakers' table learn from Coach Deme that the "pony" football team had an undefeated season; unfortunately, the little giant's voice was drowned out by a radiator that was also letting off steam. . . . The more hardy of our number travel to Bear Mountain to

spend New Year's Eve with the Girl Scouts. . . .

## JANUARY:

Mr. Blisard can't understand that extra "Accepted" stamp he found in the laboratory. . . . Mr. Hemenway is heard complaining about the way Gelle's dancing class cuts up the rugs. . . . We are now either experts on Southern reconstruction or quite a bit poorer. . . .

## FEBRUARY:

Krom gets the presidency and tells us "we've got a lot to do." . . . Mr. Blisard appears with the long-forgotten advertising pledges; we read them and swear we'll never sign anything again. . . . Archer's "Ability, Experience, and Common Sense" beat Davis's reform platform. . . .

## MARCH:

More rumors, this time about a "long theme" and the Rice of Culture and Education (Black: "only fifty or sixty pages."—Students: "Kaff-kaff, fapp"). . . . We take over school for a day; at 3:00 we *know* we need the vacation. . . . Bindings are heard cracking as college catalogs are leafed through for the first time. . . .

## APRIL:

Yearbook staff tries everything but the third degree in getting ads. . . . Editorial staff starts to work on copy; spring baseball practice starts; staff stops work on copy. . . . We get a harried, worried look. . . . Teachers organize a Protective Association. . . .

## MAY:

Senior exams. . . . Make-up exams. . . . We run to Rogers Peet for our formal coats. . . . Prom is decided on after Krom enjoys "His First Date." . . .

## JUNE:

The more fortunate of us end our McBurney history with hot rehearsals and green ribboned diplomas.



# Seniors





# UNDER-GRADS



"Growth is a sign of life." During the earlier years of our school life we must develop abilities to fit us as leaders and workers. However, we must develop not merely as individuals, but as members of our groups. For our standard we may well accept the high scholarship, the considerate helpfulness, and the inspiring personality of Mr. Litch.





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## Juniors

The Junior Class of 1939-1940 completed a successful year, although the sections operated more or less independently of each other.

During the first semester the class was divided into two sections, Junior A and Junior B. After the second semester began, the addition of new juniors made it necessary to form a third section, Junior C.

As a whole the juniors made a fine showing in the school activities. A Junior Dance Committee, with Arthur Buettner as chairman, worked earnestly in preparation for the Junior Hop, held in March. The dance lived up to all expectations and proved to be one of the best McBurney has ever had.

Buettner and Kelly ably represented the class in the Book Mart, Oratorical, and Extemporaneous Speaking contests, while four juniors reached the finals of the Spelling Contest.

More than half of this year's *McBurneian* staff was made up of juniors, Arthur Buettner having been chosen Editor-in-Chief for next year. Whitman Osgood acted as temporary editor for one issue. Andre Gelle, Arthur Langford, and Harmon Wynne were active in the Dramatic Club. Buettner and Groves were in the Lamp and Laurel Society, while Basch, Buettner, Gelle, Groves, Jonker, Langford, Benham, Bernhard, Citron, Locke, Osgood, Pask, Wynne, and Laroche were members of the Scroll Club.

A class with a record such as this cannot help being a first-rate senior group, and leaves a standard which future juniors must work hard to live up to.



# Sophomores

The sophomores got off on the wrong foot at the beginning of the year only to wind up in a blaze of glory. They lost to the lowly freshmen at the annual fall Field Day. However, the spirit of the class was bolstered up when the freshmen were completely squashed on Freshman Day by the score of 95-55, an unusual feat since the freshmen usually win the tussle. Dave Engel, Walter Carle, William Brooks, and many other sophomores showed their mettle in their respective bouts.

The sophomore sections contributed generously to the Red Cross Drive and many other worthy causes during the year, but capped it off by running away with top honors in the "Y" Drive campaign. Sophomore B finished in first place after a strong, last-minute spurt. This great display of spirit can be attributed to its officers: Bill Armstrong, Ray Stacom, and Haig Bogossian. Anthony Siragusa led Soph A to second honors in the Drive.

William Brooks became Secretary of the Key Club and Assistant Secretary of the A.A. Council, while the colors of the Sophomore Class were proudly carried in the Declamation Contest by John Penn and Dave Engel. They also held places on the *McBurneian*.

## OFFICERS

### Sophomore A

#### President

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### Sophomore B

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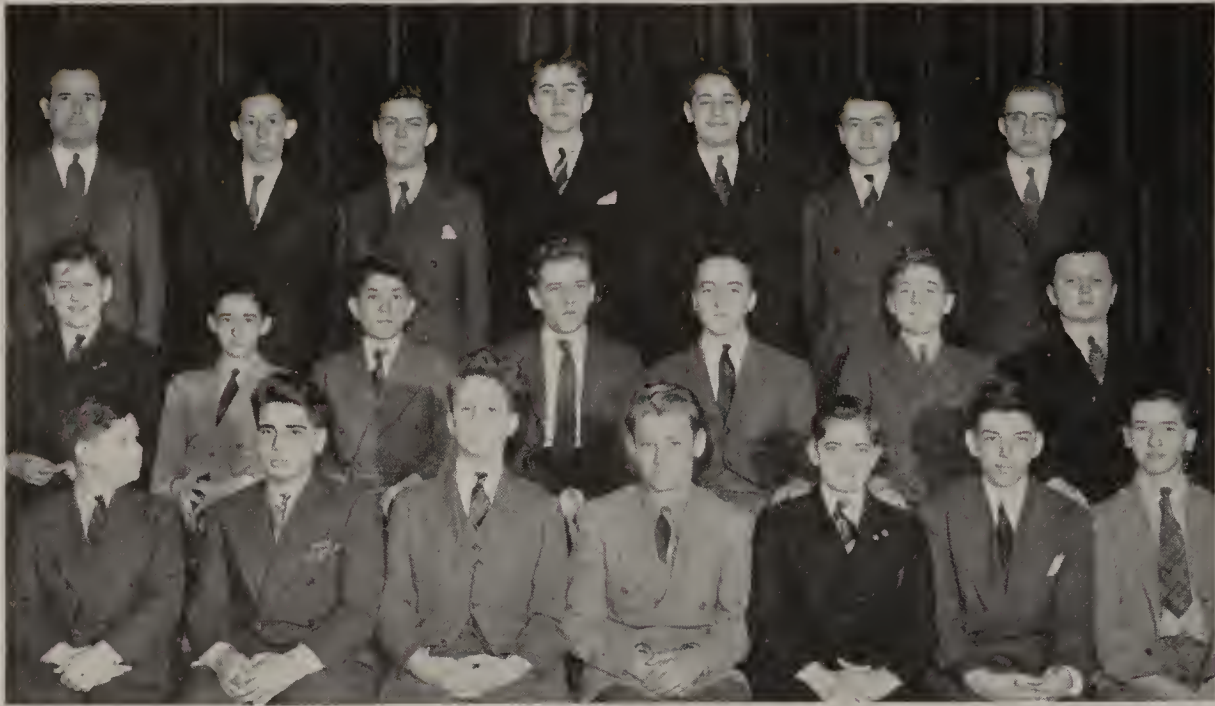
#### Secretary

Haig Bogossian



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## OFFICERS

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#### *Vice President*

C. F. Blunck

#### *Secretary*

D. T. Meyer

# Freshmen

Represented in athletic and academic activities throughout the school, the Freshman Class proved to be an active and influential body.

On Field Day, held during October at Alley Pond Park, the freshmen were outstanding, winning several of the races, and participating in baseball and football games with the younger groups. Here they defeated the mighty sophs by a wide margin. After this easy victory, the class became a little over-confident, with the result that the sophomores defeated the frosh easily on Freshman Day.

The class was represented in the Student Council by Leon Quinto. Leon, who has been a Council member for two successive years, defended the class rights valiantly—being somewhat of an expert on minority rights by this time.

President Babcock and Pete Kenton are outstanding members of the school orchestra, and the students voted Maurice Witherspoon, another freshman, the winner of the Declamation Contest. Witherspoon also distinguished himself in the Senior Play as a colored maid.

This vigorous group of freshmen should furnish many outstanding leaders to the various school organizations next year.



# Sub-freshmen

The sub-freshmen of 1940 have shown initiative in both scholastic and extra-curricular work.

Under the leadership of Lee Helguera and James Howden, the two class presidents, this group was not pushed aside when it came to making decisions about school activities. In the Student Council the upper classmen could not dominate the sub-freshmen because of the effectiveness of the two class representatives, James Howden and Robert Brooks, who knew what the section wanted and fought for it.

In the spring *Panorama* the class was represented by Robert Brooks's American Youth Forum essay and Lee Helguera's story on the *Floating City* in Mexico.

In athletics several sub-freshmen played on the Pony Basketball Team, developing material for next year's jayvees.

This class was also represented in two of the school's major contests. Harry Whitney was outstanding in the finals of the Spelling Contest, while Robert Brooks succeeded in reaching the finals of the Book Mart Contest.

George McAuliffe did fine work on the assembly committee and did his share in helping Mr. Ingoldsby with motion picture apparatus. Peter Dibble was elected secretary for both semesters, doing an exceptionally good job in recording the minutes of the section meetings.

All in all, the class contributed much toward many school activities, and it should make a splendid group of freshmen.

## OFFICERS

### First Term

#### President

J. L. Helguera

#### Secretary

P. D. Dibble

### Second Term

#### President

J. Howden

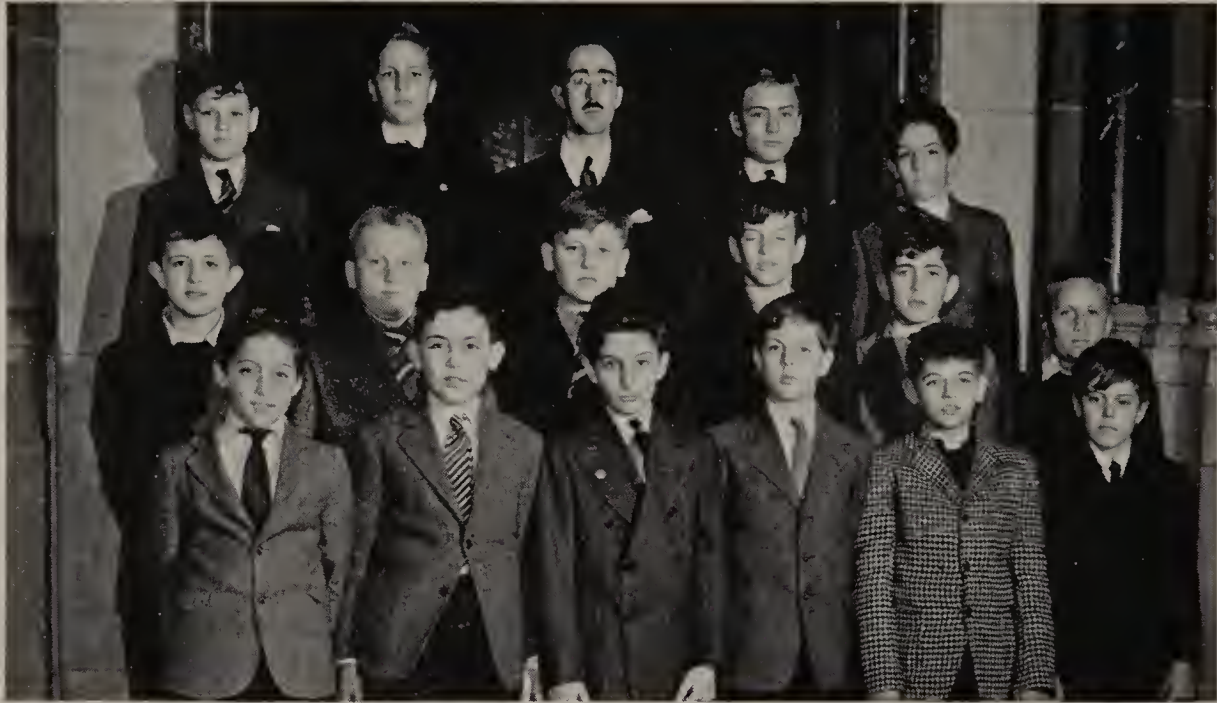
#### Secretary

P. D. Dibble



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## OFFICERS

### First Term

#### *President*

H. E. Baron

#### *Vice President*

R. K. Dowst

#### *Secretary*

Dean Alfange

### Second Term

#### *President*

R. K. Dowst

#### *Vice President*

R. U. Akeret

#### *Secretary*

W. B. Brown

# Lower School

McBurney's Lower School of 1940 has seen a wide recreational and educational program. This group of twenty-six boys went on several trips to points of interest throughout the city and participated in all the academic activities for which they were eligible. Some of these were the Spelling Contest, Hobby Show, Extemporaneous Speaking Contest, and the Book Mart. For the second successive year the Lower School won the Singing Contest in which every section of the school competes.

Among some of the trips taken were those to the American Museum of Natural History, the Chase National Bank, Governor's Island, Grand Central and Pennsylvania Stations, the Aquarium, the Museum of the American Indian, and the Port of New York Authority. The group also gave particular attention to the safety program.

Greatly interested in the several branches of athletics, the Lower School was again divided into two teams, the Greens and the Whites. Henry Baron was captain of the White team while Warren Brown captained the Greens. The afternoon recreational program found them in the park, swimming in the pool, or in the gym. The two groups competed against one another in baseball, dodgeball, punchball, and swimming. Several members also played on the Upper School Pony basketball and baseball teams.

Warren Brown represented the Lower School for the entire year in the Student Council. He did a fine job in keeping his class an integral part of McBurney.

Leadership ability can already be discerned in the way that the presidents and secretaries for the two terms conducted an orderly and cooperative meeting during section periods.



# Post-Graduates and Specials

For the first time in the last few years the Post-graduate Section actually had post-graduate students. Every member of the section had a high school diploma, either from McBurney or some other school. The personnel of the section, however, was changed from time to time: some students finished in January; others transferred to the Senior Section.

At the beginning of the first semester, the Post-graduate Section was known as Special A. They met twice weekly with their faculty adviser, Mr. Chamberlin. Tom Vivian was elected president, serving in that capacity for the entire year, and doing a very commendable job. Larry Kuhn held the remaining major offices, having been elected vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. Dick delaSota, star of the basketball team, held the post of section athletic manager, and Jack Crawford and Leonard Lindroth were the representatives in the Student Council.

The start of the second semester in February saw the transfer of many students to the Senior Section. The new students were John Bonomi, Lester Katz, Robert Martin, Walter Pristop, John Probst, and Ray Treleaven.

DelaSota, Vivian, Kuhn, Katz, Crawford, and Probst starred in athletics. Several students were outstanding in academics.

The special sections were not regular classes, but they played a great part in the various activities of the school.

## OFFICERS

### First Term

#### *President*

T. H. Vivian

#### *Secretary*

L. E. Kuhn

### Second Term

#### *President*

A. R. Treleaven

#### *Vice President*

J. J. Probst

#### *Secretary*

C. J. Frommund



twenty-five



## Lower Class Antics





# ACADEMICS



"We learn by experiences." On the stage, in the competition of debate, during the give and take of the open forum, and in our club meetings we learn to rely on ourselves. The wide variations of the program promote the well rounded experience characteristic of Mr. Litch's personality. His ever-fresh interest in academic programs points to their value.





#### OFFICERS

##### First Term

##### *President*

C. J. Peter, Jr.

##### *Secretary*

A.C. Buettner

##### Second Term

##### *President*

R. P. Archer

##### *Secretary*

T. J. Citron

##### *Faculty Adviser*

D. H. Bowman

## Student Council

McBurney's Student Council finished the school year with a good record. Under the capable leadership of Charles Peter in the first semester and Richard Archer in the second, the Council performed its duties efficiently. It held monthly school dances, planned two successful Field Days as well as the fall Freshman Day, conducted the Red Cross and "Y" Drives, revised the point system again, and solved numerous school problems.

#### FIRST SEMESTER

##### *Seniors:*

Joseph Martin, Joseph Davis, Charles Peter, John Wiley.

##### *Special A:*

Mortimer Hirsch, Larry Kuhn.

##### *Special B:*

Gene Bell, Richard Archer.

##### *Juniors:*

Arthur Buettner, Louis Laroche, Whitman Osgood, William Canton, Paul Kittinger.

##### *Special C:*

Richard Frick.

##### *Sophomores:*

Charles Prutzman, Ramon Stacom.

##### *Freshmen:*

Leon Quinto.

##### *Sub-Freshmen:*

James Howden.

#### SECOND SEMESTER

##### *Seniors:*

Clifford Giebler, Richard Gordon, Arnold Ryder, George Schneider, Richard Archer, Gene Bell.

##### *P. G.'s:*

Raymond Treleaven.

##### *Special B:*

Ernest Hitchcock, John Livingston.

##### *Juniors:*

Arthur Buettner, Louis Laroche, Thomas Citron, Daniel Jonker, Whitman Osgood.

##### *Sophomores:*

William Brooks, Ramon Stacom.

##### *Freshmen:*

Leon Quinto.

##### *Sub-Freshmen:*

Robert Brooks.



## EDITORS

*Chief*  
N. A. Kindwall  
*News*  
Ivan Rettenberg  
*Features*  
J. R. Wiley  
*Literary*  
M. J. Martin  
*Business*  
J. P. G. Davis  
*Advertising*  
E. W. Bell  
*Circulation*  
T. J. Citron  
*Faculty Adviser*  
D. H. Bowman



## McBurneian

With nearly fifteen per cent of the student body on its staff, the *McBurneian* published fifteen issues during the school year, supplemented by mimeographed issues of *Spot News*. It had no financial worries since it carried more advertising than usual.

The *McBurneian* continued to mold school opinion. At the beginning of the year its ticket won the A.A. elections. It stimulated the various clubs into action. It attempted to provide aid for athletes who needed help with their studies. Both Student Council elections were well covered by the newspaper.

Editor-in-Chief Nils Kindwall efficiently organized reportorial, advertising, and business staffs, the latter having been necessary for a long time. Ivan Rettenberg, John Wiley, and Joe Martin were the important editors. On the reportorial staff were Fred Bernhard, William Brooks, Arthur Buettner, Robert Habich, John Livingston, Howard Meunier, Thomas Nelson, Thomas Nicolis, Gordon Paterson, John Penn, Howard Restin, and Ramon Stacom. Gene Bell headed the advertising staff composed of Alan Baron, Louis Bernhard, Tom Citron, Dave Engel, and James Howden. Alan Baron, Donald Benham, Andre Gelle, Louis Laroche, and Albert Pike composed the circulation staff with Tom Citron as manager. Joe Davis managed the business staff, with Bob Mesrobian and Dan Jonker as assistants. D. H. Bowman continued as faculty adviser.

With the increase in size of the reportorial staff, the *McBurneian* was able to have a complete news coverage. The students eagerly learned journalistic technique, earning for the paper a second honor rating, higher than last year's.





EDITORS  
*Chief*  
 R. H. Gordon  
*Managing*  
 N. A. Kindwall  
*Literary*  
 J. R. Wiley  
*Senior*  
 F. A. Bernhard  
 BUSINESS STAFF  
*General Manager*  
 J. P. G. Davis  
*Business*  
 S. A. Cox  
*Advertising*  
 H. D. Meunier  
*Faculty Advisers*  
 T. J. Blisard  
 B. D. Chamberlin

## Lamp and Laurel

The *Lamp and Laurel* began to take shape early in the school year. The editor-in-chief, Richard Gordon, having been chosen by last year's staff, began to lay plans for an interesting and original book that was to set a new high for McBurney annuals. Late in September he chose a staff and with their help started to prepare an attractive dummy full of several interesting innovations. Mr. Blisard, business faculty adviser of the staff, had many new ideas as to page layout, and it was his vigorous advice that enabled so lively a book to be created.

Nils Kindwall acted as managing editor, helping to plan the dummy and preparing copy. Joe Davis and Sam Cox handled the business problems with a sort of conservative zeal that all such managers must experience under the guidance of Mr. Blisard. John Wiley was literary editor, supervising the accomplishment and completion of all copy. Fred Bernhard was editor in charge of senior and class write-ups. The advertising end of the book was managed by Howard Meunier, who with the aid of his staff, Arthur Buettner, Norman Groves, Robert Novick, and Charles Peter, collected a number of ads.

The page layout of this year's book makes the yearbook of special interest. For the first time there are five well-planned pages of informal photographs.

The editorial board was assisted by Mr. Chamberlin, the literary faculty adviser.

All in all the yearbook staff assumed a great deal of responsibility and enjoyed putting out the *Lamp and Laurel*.



## EDITORS

*Chief*  
Whit. Osgood

*Managing*  
A. D. Jonker

*Literary*  
L. P. Laroche

*Photography*  
C. S. Opitz

*Art*  
G. F. Basch

*Faculty Adviser*  
B. D. Chamberlin



## Panorama

It has been the custom in McBurney for the students to publish a literary arts magazine in which would appear the efforts of the students in the field of writing. For several years these efforts did not progress very rapidly, but eventually Mr. Chamberlin succeeded in reviving the magazine under its new name—*Panorama*.

Three issues appeared this year, and all of them were enthusiastically received by the students. The first issue, of fourteen pages, came out on January 31. It included six articles and four photographs. It was pleasantly bound in a green and white cover, illustrated by an enlarged photo of a winter scene taken by the staff photographer, Charles Opitz. The editorial staff for this issue was led by John Cunningham, editor-in-chief, and David Raymond, associate editor.

The second issue, which appeared on April 9, was larger in literary and pictorial content. It had twenty-four pages, three of which were of photographs. Instead of an editor-in-chief, a literary board was appointed. It was composed of three members, all from the Junior Class: Whitman Osgood, Louis Laroche, and Daniel Jonker. On the production staff were Donald Benham, Haig Bogossian, Thomas Citron, Richard Dawson, George Dunn, Gordon Paterson, Robert Smith, and Jack Stadstad; while the art staff was composed of Gabriel Basch, David Platky, Wayne Greene, and Lawrence Kuhn. Charles Opitz again contributed the cover picture.

When the final issue came out on Recognition Day, the staff was organized as it will probably carry on next year.





#### OFFICERS

*President*  
Donald Welch

*Vice President*  
Thomas Valley

*Secretary*  
Arthur Buettner

*Assistant Secretary*  
William Brooks

*Student Manager*  
Norman Groves

*Faculty Adviser*  
T. E. Purcell

## Athletic Association Executive Council

This year, as in previous years, the purpose of the Athletic Council was the awarding of letters to members of varsity teams. The student body elected the officers early in November. The *McBurneian* ticket nosed out the Student Council ticket by three votes on the third ballot. A highlight of the election was the fact that no ticket was offered by the student body itself. Usually the floor ticket wins the election.

The association, composed of managers, coaches, and captains of all varsity teams, was headed by Don Welch. The position of Student Manager of Athletics, one of the hardest jobs a student can undertake, was held by Norman Groves.

The A.A. Council held one assembly program late in April.

William Armstrong  
Gabriel Basch  
Arthur Buettner  
Joseph Davis  
Richard delaSota  
Theodore Dzus  
Frederick Fraser  
Clifford Giebler  
Wayne Green

Robert Habich  
Nils Kindwall  
John Krom  
Lawrence Kuhn  
Robert Novick  
Ivan Rettenberg  
Seth Rhodes  
Thomas Valley

Aurele Vandeweghe  
Donald Welch  
Mr. Albert Basi  
Mr. Arthur Bramhall  
Mr. William Deme  
Mr. C. de W. Funaro  
Mr. B. S. Guernsey  
Mr. T. E. Purcell  
Mr. Lewis Vaughan



## OFFICERS

### *President*

E. W. Bell

### *Secretary*

A. H. Gelle

### *Faculty Adviser*

A. Bramhall



## Dramatics

During the past year McBurney produced one of its best Dramatic Clubs. With Mr. Bramhall's careful coaching, talent from all the classes was developed successfully. The juniors and seniors contributed most of the actors, while the Senior Play saw a few lower-classmen in supporting roles.

Early in the year Gene Bell, active in dramatic productions for some time, was chosen president of the small but ambitious group with Andre Gelle, another fine actor, as secretary-treasurer. While the Dramatic Club was not as consistently active as most of McBurney's extra-curricular organizations, it did accomplish its main purpose of making dramatics an even more necessary must in McBurney by the production of two successful plays.

After long, hard work the Christmas Play was presented before a capacity audience in the Little Theater December 15. Bell, Gelle, Langford, and Nicolis were the performers, each of them giving fine characterizations. The play's name was "The Tangled Web."

May 9, 10, and 11, the Senior Play, "His First Date," was given in the Little Theater. Gene Bell, John Krom, Joe Martin, Ivan Rettenberg, Dick Archer, Harmon Wynne, and Maurice Witherspoon gave excellent performances in parts which were almost equally important in the plot. The play was unusual because of the predominance of seniors in the cast.

At the end of the year the members of the club voted Gene Bell the winner of the Dramatics Award, the Senior Class' gift to the school. Each year the boy who is voted upon as doing the most for Dramatics during the year will have his name engraved on the plaque.





## MEMBERS

- Piano*  
R. H. Gordon  
M. J. Martin
- Violin*  
D. W. Pask, Jr.  
R. C. Hessler
- Cello*  
P. J. Kenton
- Clarinet*  
W. H. Trejo  
J. B. Snow
- Cornet*  
J. C. Babcock  
J. H. Probst
- Director*  
B. D. Chamberlin

# Orchestra

The McBurney Orchestra consisted of eleven pieces. Richard Gordon and Joseph Martin were the pianists with Durant Pask and Robert Hessler playing the violins and Peter Kenion the cello. The reed section was composed of William Trejo and James Snow at the clarinets; John Babcock and John Probst played the cornet. John Bennett was manager.

One of the outstanding features of the orchestra was a concert given in October. On this occasion there were various solos on the piano, 'cello, and cornet which encouraged other boys to join the group.

Another event in which the orchestra participated was the special Easter program. Albert Singerman, one of McBurney's most talented musicians, gave an excellent performance of modern compositions.

A major production of the musical group was presented on the nights of May 10 and 11 in the Little Theater. At this time the Senior Play was given with the orchestra performing during the intermission. Some of the excerpts from "The Chocolate Soldier" were presented.

In spite of the success of this year's orchestra, the group of '41 will have a hard time filling the places of those graduating. Of the eleven less than half will return, so that there will be a need for accompanists, clarinetists, cornetists and violinists.

The last performance of the group was given on Graduation night, June 6th. The orchestra played some very brilliant compositions and helped to make the evening more enjoyable.



## OFFICERS

*Chairman*  
T. J. Citron

*Vice Chairman*  
S. A. Cox

*Faculty Adviser*  
F. H. Ingoldsby

*Secretary*  
Robert Habich



## Assemblies

McBurney's assemblies for this past year were on a high level. Because of the efficient work of the assembly committee, many instructive and entertaining programs were presented in the Little Theater. Thomas Citron was chairman of the committee while Mr. Ingoldsby again served as faculty adviser.

The first assembly program of the year featured Dr. Samuel Grafflin. The student body, especially the large number of new boys in McBurney who had not heard him before, enjoyed Dr. Grafflin's lecture on culture and morals. Dr. Grafflin returned to address the school at the special Easter program. Mr. A. R. Brown, an Annapolis graduate, gave an entertaining and enlightening talk on being admitted to the academy and the kind of life that a boy leads there. Mr. Fred Robertson, director of physical education activities at West Side, spoke to the school, urging the students to contribute as generously as possible to the "Y" drive. Two F.B.I. agents presented a program later in the year with motion pictures on counterfeit money, its detection, and the methods whereby the public can aid in the capture of counterfeiters. A program of unusual interest was presented when the vice president of the Seeing Eye Foundation of Morristown, N.J., spoke with his dog by his side.

Efforts to provide the school with well-rounded assembly programs have met with considerable success. It is at these frequent occasions that students of McBurney enjoy and profit from their own contributions to school life.





## OFFICERS

*President*  
J. P. G. Davis

*Vice President*  
C. L. Giebler

*Secretary*  
R. P. Archer

*Faculty Adviser*  
T. E. Purcell

## “M” Club

The “M” Club, the largest honorary society in McBurney, is reserved for those boys who are awarded at least one varsity letter. It was the only club, of the many in school, to hold regular monthly meetings this year.

The chief work of the club was the boosting of school spirit. A committee was appointed to visit the various sections and announce all coming athletic events.

Thomas Ahlers  
Merwin Andelman  
Richard Archer  
William Armstrong  
John Avery  
Alfred Battaglia  
John Bennett  
Louis Bernhard  
Arthur Buettner  
Nai Chang  
Robert Conahay  
Samuel Cox  
Joseph Davis  
Richard delaSota  
George Dunn  
Theodore Dzus  
Frederick Fraser  
Clifford Giebler

Richard Gordon  
Francis Gorman  
Wayne Green  
Norman Groves  
Robert Hessler  
Lester Katz  
Warren Kellner  
Nils Kindwall  
John Krom  
Larry Kuhn  
Louis Laroche  
Lucien Locke  
Robert Mark  
Robert Mesrobian  
Charles Muthig  
Robert Novick  
John Oldoerp

Charles Opitz  
Robert Pelaez  
Charles Peter  
John Penn  
Oreste Pesci  
Albert Pike  
David Platky  
Spencer Prankard  
Ivan Rettenberg  
Seth Rhodes  
Anthony Siragusa  
Jack Stadstad  
Thomas Valley  
Robert Vandeweghe  
Thomas Vivian  
Donald Welch  
John Wiley  
Harmon Wynne



## OFFICERS

*President*  
N. A. Kindwall

*Vice President*  
S. A. Cox

*Secretary*  
N. S. Groves

*Faculty Adviser*  
A. Bramhall



## Scroll Club

Composed of those students showing proficiency in extra-curricular activities, McBurney's Scroll Club proved one of the most active clubs in the school. The Academic Council, executive committee of the Scroll Club, votes on candidates for scrolls. This council is composed of representatives from the various academic organizations. Silver Scrolls are awarded for outstanding academic work. Gold Scrolls, the most coveted award of the club, are voted upon by the faculty for exceptional work.

The Scroll Club presented its annual amateur program in November, and it proved to be a "hit."

The following were members:

Richard Archer  
John Babcock  
Gabor Basche  
Eugene Bell\*  
Donald Benham  
Fred Bernhard  
Louis Bernhard  
Arthur Buettner  
William Brooks  
Thomas Citron  
Kingsley Colton  
Archer Crane  
Sam Cox  
Joseph Davis\*  
Andre Gelle

Clifford Giebler  
Richard Gordon\*  
Wayne Green  
Norman Groves  
Daniel Jonker  
Nils Kindwall\*\*  
Paul Kittinger  
John Krom\*  
Arthur Langford  
Louis Laroche  
Lucien Locke  
Joseph Martin  
George Nardiello  
Thomas Nicolis  
John Oldoerp

Whitman Osgood  
Durant Pask  
Charles Peter\*  
Ivan Rettenberg\*  
Albert Singerman  
Ramon Stacom  
Jack Stadstad  
Thomas Valley\*  
Aurele Vandeweghe  
Thomas Vina  
Donald Welch  
John Wiley\*  
Robert Willet  
Maurice Witherspoon  
Harmon Wynne

\*Silver Scroll

\*\*Gold Scroll





## OFFICERS

*President*  
M. J. Martin

*Vice President*  
J. R. Wiley

*Secretary*  
W. N. Brooks

*Faculty Adviser*  
A. M. Black

# Key Club

One of McBurney's many student organizations is an honorary scholastic society, the Key Club. Membership is limited to boys who appear on the school honor roll three times a semester or four times a year, or who rank in the first seventh of their classes. The faculty judges whether or not a boy merits membership in the organization.

During the past years the Key Club has participated little in extra-curricular school activities. It has preferred to remain a purely honorary organization. When the club held meetings at the beginning of the year, members made considerable effort to make the club an active one.

One of the subjects discussed during the seven meetings held was the aiding of those boys on the ineligible list with their scholastic problems. The Key Club finally agreed to help these boys with their work.

Toward the end of the year the club added several additional members who had met the qualifications.

John Babcock  
Robert Brooks  
William Brooks  
Conrad Blunck  
Arthur Buettner  
Kingsley Colton  
Joseph Davis

George Dunn  
Richard Gordon  
Hugh Kelly  
Nils Kindwall  
John Krom  
Louis Laroche  
Joseph Martin

John McLaughlin  
John Penn  
Leon Quinto  
Ivan Rettenberg  
Donald Sperling  
John Wiley  
Maurice Witherspoon



# Awards

ROBERT ROSS McBURNEY . . . . . JOSEPH DAVIS, Nils Kindwall  
 HEADMASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP . . . . . JOHN KROM, Nils Kindwall  
 LEADERSHIP CUP . . . . . NORMAN GROVES, Arthur Buettner  
 "M" CLUB CUP . . . . . DONALD WELCH, Frederick Fraser  
 BOOTH MATHEMATICS . . . . . CONRAD BLUNCK, John Babcock  
 A. A. BERLY COURTESY . . . . . JOHN WILEY, Howard Meunier  
 SERVICE RINGS . . . . . DANIEL JONKER, Gabor Basch  
 MUSIC RECOGNITION . . . . . WILLIAM TREJO, Charles Opitz  
 ORIGINAL WRITING . . . . . JOHN KROM, Harvey Goldbarth

## ORATORICAL CONTEST

Hugh Kelly  
 John Krom  
 George Dunn

## DECLAMATION CONTEST

Maurice Witherspoon  
 Warren Kellner  
 David Engle

## EARLE COX BIBLE

Robert Mesrobian  
 Conrad Blunck  
 John Krom

## EXTEMPORANEOUS CONTEST

Theodore Hoffman  
 Nils Kindwall  
 Eugene Bell

## SPELLING CONTEST

Ivan Rettenberg  
 Joseph Martin  
 Thomas Nelson

## ESSAY CONTEST

Robert Brooks  
 Robert Gibson  
 Harvey Goldbarth

## R.P.I. SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

John McLaughlin

## DRAMATICS

Eugene Bell

## SHOP & ART

George McAuliffe  
 Thomas Nelson  
 Durant Pask  
 Robert Hessler

## IMPROVEMENT

Marvin Gallagher  
 Robert Mesrobian  
 George McAuliffe  
 Peter Kenton

McBURNEIAN AWARD . . . . . John Wiley  
 FRESHMAN LOYALTY . . . . . John Babcock  
 SENIOR LOYALTY . . . . . John Krom  
 CLASS SCHOLARSHIP . . . . . John Babcock  
 SCROLL CLUB SCHOLARSHIP . . Arthur Buettner  
 KEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP . . . . . Robert Brooks  
 INTERCLASS ACADEMICS . . . . . Seniors  
 FIELD DAY CUP . . . . . Sophomores  
 BOOK MART . . . . . Christopher Chandler



# Glee Club

Under the guidance of the new director, Mr. Lorus Hand, the McBurney Glee Club accomplished the difficult achievement of singing four-part harmony and doing it well. The club consisted of over eighty boys, the pick of the entire student body who had been given voice tests in the first semester. Of this large group a Varsity Glee Club of about forty fellows was chosen for special performances. The year was marked with many successes, the product of hours of practice and rehearsal. For the first time in many years, the Glee Club's work included a repertoire of twenty interesting numbers of wide variety, each being performed at one time or another during the season.

The first important programs of the year were the Christmas Play and the West Side Y.M.C.A. Staff Dinner. The solo part of "The Bells of St. Mary's" was ably sung by Wayne Green in both performances. Another song, "Noel," was liked so well that an encore was demanded by the enthusiastic audience of Y.M.C.A. dignitaries and staff. The spring semester performances of the Glee Club included a short Easter program, a spring concert, and a radio program, after which came intensive preparation for the Senior Play.

McBurney is proud of its 1939-1940 Glee Club. It is hoped that in following years an equally high standard will be maintained by this important school group.





# Day by Day





# Trips

The past year saw a wide variety of unusual trips in and out of the city. There was a particular emphasis on science trips.

The chemistry class, under the guidance of Mr. Seitz, went to the Jack Frost Sugar Refining Company's plant in New Jersey, and they followed the story of sugar from the raw state to the finished product. They learned that there are over ten operations before sugar as we know it is turned out. A few days later Mr. Seitz again took a group of science students to the Nathan Manufacturing Company where they saw some interesting examples of bronze and metal casting. The group was also shown the casting and moulding of valves and moulds and the way molten metal is handled. Of special interest to the physics class was a trip to the Weather Bureau in the Whitehall Building. There all the scientific equipment for the forecasting of weather conditions was explained to the boys. A large group also went on the Ford Trip where they followed the assembly line from the chassis to the completed car. Some boys from all of the science classes visited the Pepsi-Cola bottling plant.

Of interest to the English classes were trips through the New York *Times* building where every step in the production of a great newspaper was reviewed: and to the Scribner's plant where engraving and printing processes were observed. The Social Science classes also went on a trip to the Red Hook Housing Project and they sat in on a trial at the General Sessions Court.





# ATHLETICS



“Not who won or lost, but how you played the game.” In all his relationships the spirit of fair play and good sportsmanship was characteristic of our Mr. Litch. Win or lose, McBurney teams may be proud of the game they played. In addition to varsity competition every student enjoys the healthful good fellowship of a large intra-school program of sports and field day activities.





## Football

McBurney changed to six-man football this season because of the difficulty in making up an eleven-man schedule against teams in its own class. Coach Bill Deme directed the Green and White through an undefeated five-game schedule.

In the first encounter McBurney won over Collegiate, 18-0, with Stephen Epler, the inventor of six-man football, refereeing the game. The squad next turned back Brooklyn Friends, 18-14. After this the Green and White scored their third victory, defeating Brooklyn Friends in a return game, 24-21. The team then traveled to New Jersey to meet St. Peter's Prep. Again the visitors were triumphant, 30-8. This was their fourth win in as many games. In their fifth and last contest, McBurney triumphed in a blaze of glory, 15-6, completing the schedule without a loss.

One of the post-season highlights came when Don Welch, captain and quarterback of the Green and White, was selected for the high school All-American Six-Man Team, sponsored by the *American Boy* magazine.

With over half of the championship squad remaining, prospects look very good for next year.

### THE TEAM

M. L. Andelman  
 R. B. Mesrobian  
 J. S. Crawford  
 D. D. Welch, *Capt.*  
 N. S. Groves  
 T. H. Vivian  
 J. P. Bennett  
 S. A. Cox  
 F. E. Fraser  
 C. L. Giebler  
 R. A. Novick, *Mgr.*  
 W. F. Deme, *Coach*



# Soccer

## THE TEAM

Fred Bernhard  
C. N. Chang  
Ivan Rettenberg  
C. J. Peter  
N. A. Kindwall  
C. H. Muthig  
Dennis Binet  
J. H. Avery  
L. P. Laroche  
J. M. Krom  
A. R. Vandeweghe  
G. R. Paterson  
J. R. Oldorp  
Robert Habich, *Mgr.*  
C. de W. Funaro, *Coach*

The Varsity Soccer Team, playing against severe odds, battled nine more experienced teams. They were victorious in only one game and lost the rest, mostly by narrow margins. Coach Funaro, hampered by having only three or four experienced players, noticed more team-work among the players near the end of the season. Considering the absence of Fraser and Groves because of football, Gordon and Rhodes because of illness, and others by ineligibility, the team played with many handicaps.

In their opener McBurney beat Brooklyn Friends on a muddy field, 2-1. McBurney was completely outclassed by Peekskill Military Academy, losing 9-0, and was also shut out by Horace Mann and Fieldston but by close scores.

Vandeweghe and Krom played a fine defensive game. Muthig, Kindwall, and Rettenberg did fairly well as forwards, as did Peter, of last year's varsity. While the team will lose some of its mainstays through graduation, the prospects for next year's team are bright. Groves, Rhodes, Laroche, Muthig, and Paterson will probably form the nucleus of the squad.







## Swimming

The McBurney swimming team this year won four out of its eleven meets. The team fought with spirit, but did not have the reserve power of a championship group. After last year's graduation the team was left with only four veterans. These were Art Buettner, Charlie Peter, Cliff Giebler, and Al Pike. The rest of the squad was made up of a group of newly-discovered stars and unseasoned jayvee material.

Giebler starred in the fifty yard freestyle with six firsts, while Charlie Peter triumphed five times in the hundred. Buettner took four firsts in the dive with Al Pike out of the running for most of the season.

From the remaining material Coaches Vaughan and Corell produced three water-men that McBurney may well prize for next year. George Dunn was high scorer of the team taking nine firsts in the 220 yard freestyle. Lucien Locke, another newcomer, who was second in the number of points scored, was outstanding in winning eight firsts in the backstroke. There was a sad lack of breaststroke swimmers this year, and Spencer Prankard did well in filling the gap.

### THE TEAM

G. R. Dunn  
 C. L. Giebler  
 C. L. Hessler  
 L. P. Locke  
 C. J. Peter  
 G. S. Prankard  
 A. C. Buettner, *Mgr.*  
 L. L. Vaughan, *Coach*  
 C. Corell, *Coach*



# Basketball

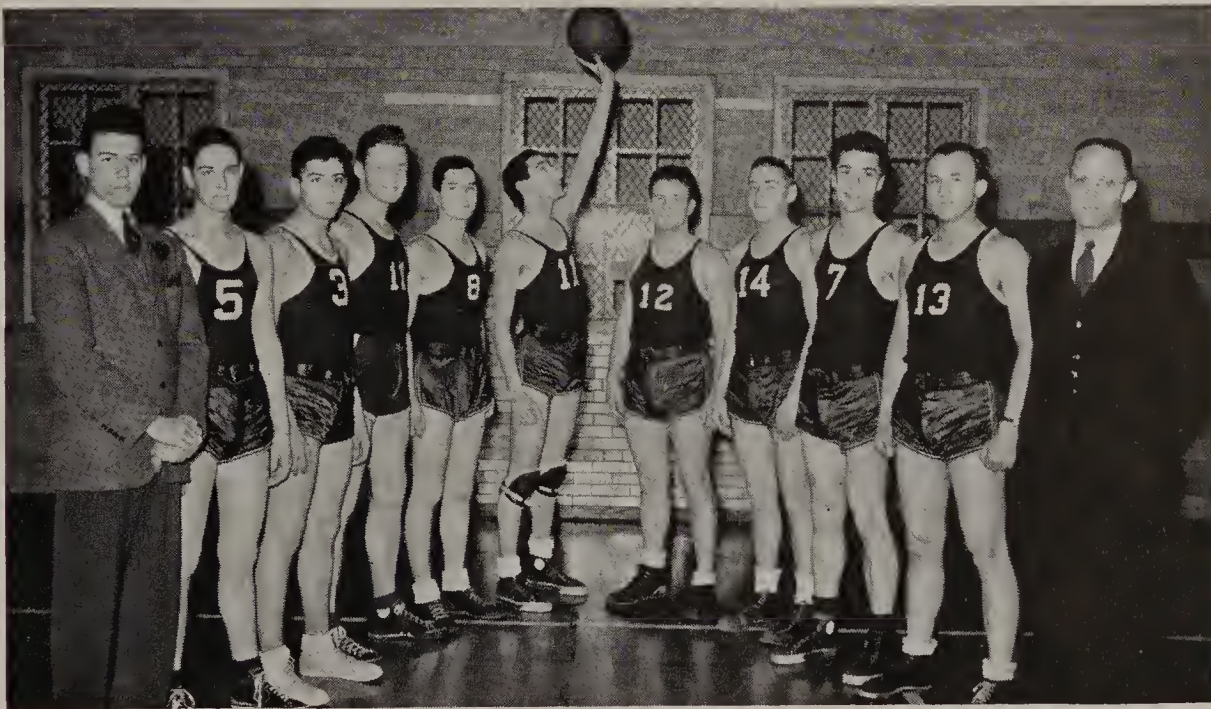
## THE TEAM

Ted Dzus  
M. L. Andelman  
R. R. delaSota  
D. D. Welch  
F. C. Fraser  
R. P. Archer  
C. L. Giebler  
A. G. Battaglia  
L. E. Kuhn, *Mgr.*  
B. S. Guernsey, *Coach*

McBurney's basketball team ended its 1939-1940 schedule with a below .500 average. This was no reflection on the team's ability, for the quintet did very well considering the handicaps they faced all season long.

The first game of the season saw the Guernseymen down Columbia Grammar, 34-15. The next three games were dropped by close margins. A win over Townsend Harris, 40-35, followed. Then the courtmen dropped three successive games. Determined, the Green and White recovered to win twice, trimming a high-rated Newark Academy team, 35-27, and handing Lincoln a 38-29 setback. In the next encounter the basketekers swamped Brooklyn Friends, 55-27. Coach Guernsey and his boys ended the season with seven wins and ten losses. Captain delaSota and "Whitey" Andelman showed marvelous teamwork with Don Welch strong on the defense. Fred Fraser also made some good plays, as did Ted Dzus. Cliff Giebler, Dick Archer, and Al Battaglia all proved to be capable substitutes.

With two veterans, Archer and Fraser, and a good crop of jayvees coming up, next year's quintet will be well worth watching.







## Fencing

Perhaps the most successful winter team, the McBurney Fencing Team ended the season with three wins and four losses. However, they came through in the A.A.P.S. fencing tournament with second place. Much credit is due to Mr. Albert Basi, the new coach.

The Green and White began the season with two losses and a win, trouncing Trinity, 7-2. After losing to Horace Mann, 5-4, McBurney twice defeated Brooklyn Friends, the season ending with a close loss to Mt. Vernon, 9-7.

But the true spirit of the team was displayed in the A.A.P.S. tournament. John Krom was unable to attend, and Louis Bernhard, number three man, was moved up to the second position. McBurney's first opponent was Garden Country Day School. The team found itself behind, 3-2. However, they pulled through superbly for a 5-4 triumph. Then the Green and White came against a strong Horace Mann team. Captain Nils Kindwall carried the brunt of the attack, for he won his three bouts. With the score 4-4 Louis won his bout at 5-3, but the next day the foilsmen were defeated, 5-1.

Next year's squad will have Bernhard and Gelle, plus many others who fenced on a junior team through the season

### THE TEAM

N. A. Kindwall  
J. M. Krom  
Louis Bernhard  
A. H. Gelle  
Wayne Green, *Mgr.*  
Albert Basi, *Coach*



# Baseball

## THE TEAM

F. C. Fraser  
R. F. Mark  
Robert Conahay  
W. A. Armstrong  
A. G. Battaglia  
N. A. Kindwall  
R. R. delaSota  
C. H. Muthig  
L. E. Katz  
O. G. Pesci  
G. R. Paterson  
M. W. Andelman  
T. F. Ahlers  
T. H. Vivian  
J. R. Wiley  
T. E. Purcell, *Coach*

The Green and White nine, one of our most powerful, was peppy and spirited, playing consistently good ball.

The team lost its first game to Manhattan Prep, since the rain had limited McBurney practices. However, the Green and White came right back and defeated Franklin, 6-5, in a tight ball game. A rally in the last inning won for the McBurney cause. Superb pitching by Bob Mark, a tight infield, and consistent hitting all helped the Green and White swamp Columbia Grammar, 7-1.

Bob Mark and Fred Fraser did most of McBurney's pitching with Howard Restin always available for relief. Mark and Fraser also were two of the best hitters on the team. Al Battaglia covered the initial sack. Nils Kindwall and Dick delaSota made up the keystone combination. The "hot corner" was handled by Charlie Muthig. Les Katz, Gordon Paterson, Oreste Pesci, and "Whitey" Andelman formed McBurney's outer defense. Tom Ahlers, Tom Vivian, and John Wiley were capable reserves while Robert Conahay and Bill Armstrong shared the catching duties.

Next year's team should be a strong one, since two-thirds of the squad will return.







# Track

Under the capable coaching of Mr. Deme, the track team enjoyed a successful season. Practicing at 72nd Street and Riverside Drive four times a week, the team slowly developed strength.

The squad started the season with a smashing victory over Barnard, 45-25. Joe Davis won the 100 yard dash and also nosed out the Barnard men for a victory in the 220. Sam Cox and Roderick Judge placed first and second in the 440. George Schneider came in second with Norman Groves third in the 880.

Cox, Groves, and Davis were the only veterans on the squad. Arnold Ryder, Dennis Binet, Bob Michaels, Gabriel Basch, Anthony Siragusa, Roderick Judge, Fred Eisler, Robert Levin, and George Schneider were all newcomers to the squad. Coach Deme turned them into varsity material.

In the A.A.P.S. McBurney won the Special 440 yard relay. Cox, Siragusa, Groves, and Davis each received a gold medal.

Next year's team should be a very strong one because of the large number of lower classmen that have had the advantage of this spring's training.

## THE TEAM

J. P. G. Davis  
S. A. Cox, Jr.  
N. S. Groves  
George Schneider  
R. B. Judge  
Robert Eisler  
Dennis Binet  
A. Siragusa, *Mgr.*  
W. F. Deme, *Coach*



# Tennis

## THE TEAM

Lawrence Kuhn  
Lucien Locke  
John N. Penn  
Robert Pelaez  
Seth Rhodes  
Ivan Rettenberg, *Mgr.*  
Bernhard Guernsey, *Coach*

Inspired by Coach Guernsey, the tennis team had one of the most successful seasons in several years. McBurney's first game was a 3-2 victory at the expense of Barnard. The match was played at our courts in Forest Hills. The next match, with Birch Wathen, was saved by the playing of Lucien Locke. The score again was 5-2. Brooklyn Academy next suffered a loss at 4-1. The following match, with Stony Brook, was one of the toughest contests of the season, but McBurney came out on top after superb playing. Although the team had won five straight, they lost the next two games to Dwight and Poly Prep.

The team was composed of one senior, three juniors, and one sophomore. The outlook for the coming season is the brightest in many years. Larry Kuhn, the one senior, is the only player who will leave the team. The number one position was held by a sophomore, John Penn, who will probably be the spark plug of the team. Penn, Rhodes, and Pelaez were the singles men. Penn and Rhodes and Kuhn and Pelaez made the 1-2 doubles team. Lucien Locke was a reserve player substituting for absentees.







## Golf

Members of the McBurney golf team are more interested in perfecting their own games than in winning interscholastic matches.

This year most of the golfers were beginners. Ted Dzus, however, made a fine record. He not only beat his opponent in every match the greensmen played, but took second place in the A.A.P.S. tournament individual low-score contest.

Prospects were poor at the beginning of the year, John Krom being the only veteran. But with Dzus starring, Krom playing number two man, and Kellner, Ahlers, and Platky alternating in third and fourth places, the team turned out better than was expected. Although the schedule was arranged rather late in the season, St. John's Prep, Regis, Poly Prep, and Adelphi were played.

The seniors on the team looked forward to the faculty match, which was played after graduation.

Dave Platky and Warren Kellner will return next year.

### THE TEAM

T. Dzus  
J. M. Krom  
W. Kellner  
L. D. Platky  
T. J. Ahlers  
J. M. Krom, *Mgr.*  
A. Bramhall, *Coach*



# Jayvee Teams

## J. V. BASKETBALL

*Manager*

Joe Harrison

*Coach*

C. J. Peter, Sr.

## PONY BASKETBALL

*Manager*

A. Baron

*Coach*

L. F. Bartholomew

## J. V. SWIMMING

*Manager*

G. F. Basch

*Coach*

C. Corell

## PONY BASEBALL

*Manager*

Joe Harrison

*Coach*

L. F. Bartholomew

This year McBurney emphasized two things in its junior varsity teams. First, it supplied them with capable coaches and equipment so that they could easily learn the fundamentals of the game. Second, it attempted to build up strong J.V. teams that could provide material for next year's varsity teams.

Basketball received the spotlight as its J.V. and pony teams took on any and all comers. Although they did not compile impressive records, the members gained valuable experience. Future McBurney stars were seen in John Penn, Gordon Paterson, Joe Harrison, Robert Karoly, Raymond Stacom, and Oreste Pesci. The pony team, under the able coaching of Mr. Bartholomew, was made up mostly of sub-freshmen and lower school boys; they, too, gained valuable experience.

The versaiy swimming team proved to be a great disappointment; however, the J.V. team compiled a better than average record, thereby raising hopes for a better varsity team next year. The J.V. fencing team, organized for the first time in many years, was a result of the efforts of Mr. A. Basi, the new fencing coach, and a successful varsity team.





# Alumni

This year McBurney's alumni had several meetings where the enjoyment of an informal evening with old friends was the whole purpose. Each month members met at the "Y," went roller-skating, played cards or ping-pong, and brought along their wives and sweethearts to join in the fun.

At Christmas time the Senior-Alumni banquet was held in the Town Hall Club with Mr. Robert L. Litch as the guest of honor. Lee Smith '24, the toastmaster, introduced the speaker of the evening, Stephen Epler, who spoke about his new invention, six-man football. A group of choral numbers by the McBurney Glee Club and a piano selection by Albert Singerman rounded out an evening of entertainment.

On February 21 the old grads played the annual game against McBurney's Varsity Basketball Team. The high spot of the game was the last-minute basket by Al Mangani which enabled the alumni to beat McBurney's quintet by two points. "Bill" Deme, alumnus and member of the faculty, gave an exhibition of wrestling with Robert Conahay. McBurney swimming champions of the past five years then presented an exhibition meet in the big pool.

The *Alumni Quarterly* appeared regularly during the school year, John Whiting's issue was especially noteworthy.

On June 14 another Senior-Alumni Banquet was held. The class of '39 renewed old acquaintances with this year's Seniors and gave them some pointers on college life.

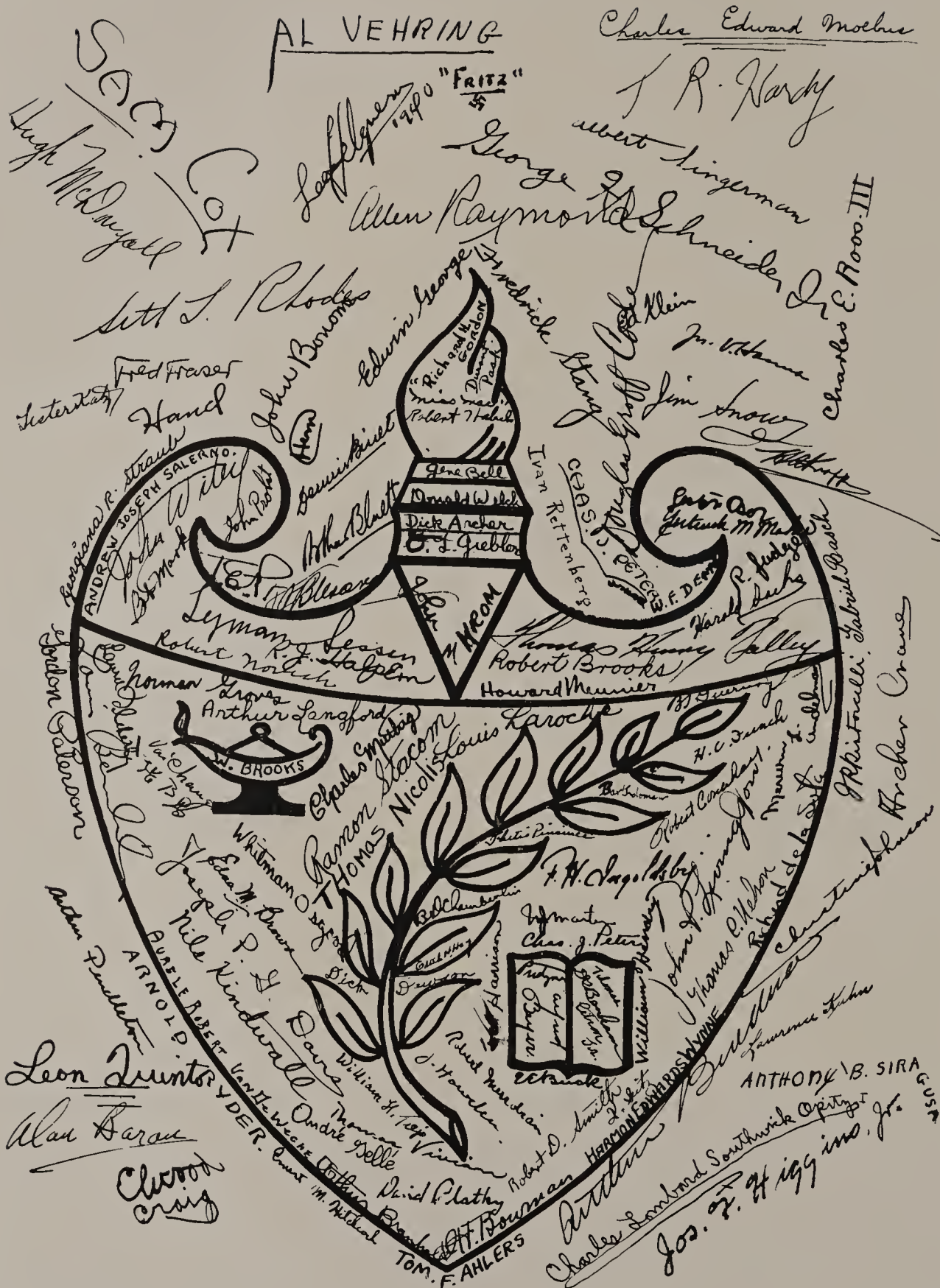




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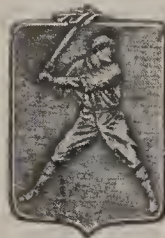
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